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SUBJECT: UNESCO INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCE ON
ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION OF EARTHQUAKE RISK:
US AUTHORS OF CONFERENCE DISCUSSION PAPERS

REF: A. CORTE-MAXIM TELCON OF OCTOBER 16

B. UNESCO LETTER SC/GEO/53/46.2 OF OCTOBER 10

1. FOURNIER D'ALBE, ACTING DIRECTOR, UNESCO EARTH SCIENCES DIVISION, IN RESPONSE REFTELCON QUERY, SAID REFERENCE LETTER WHICH CITED FOUR US SCIENTISTS WHO HAD BEEN INVITED TO PREPARE BASIC DISCUSSION PAPERS, WAS NOT MEANT AS A LETTER OF INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH A CONFERENCE.

2. HOWEVER, SECRETARIAT DID CITE THEIR NAMES IN HOPES THAT SOME OR ALL OF THESE SCIENTISTS WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE US DELEGATION TO SUBJECT CONFERENCE. FOURNIER D'ALBE SAID SECRETARIAT THOUGHT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE AUTHORS OF THE VARIOUS PAPERS PRESENT AT THE CONFERENCE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AND COMMENT ON POINTS
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MADE IN THEIR PAPERS. SECRETARIAT, OF COURSE, REALISES

THAT COMPOSITION OF DELEGATION IS ENTIRELY A MATTER OF
USG CHOICE BUT WISHED BY THIS LETTER TO UNDERLINE THE
SPECIAL VALUE ATTACHED TO THE INPUT OF THESE EXPERTS.

3. AUTHORS WILL RECEIVE A FEE OF \$500 FOR THEIR PAPERS
ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY WILL REVISE CONFERENCE
PAPERS TO REFLECT INPUT OF CONFERENCE DISCUSSIONS ON
EACH SUBJECT IN ORDER THAT LONGER REVISED VERSION OF
PAPER MIGHT BE PUBLISHED IN BOOK FORM BY UNESCO NEXT
YEAR.

4. SECRETARIAT ANTICIPATES DELEGATIONS WILL RANGE FROM
FIVE TO TEN MEMBERS ON THE AVERAGE; SOVIETS INDICATED
THEY WILL BE SENDING SEVEN OR EIGHT TO SUBJECT
CONFERENCE.

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